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## CHERNOVITSY OBLAST HAS VARIETY OF MINERAL RESOURCES

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Chernovitsy Oblast is divided into three tectonic gones: the Carpathian cold, the Pre-Carpathian issue, and the borderland of the Pot l'sk platform.

In the Bukovinian Carpathians there are known deposits of manganese are, Tharble, and outcrops of petroleum and mineral sources. The Pre-Carpathian issue has structures favorable for petroleum and fuel gas, and also deposits of lignite and salt. The Podol'sk platform has a reputation for very rich beds of high-grade gypsum, white quartz sand, phosphorite deposits, and inexhaustible supplies of lime, marl, sandstone, and other construction materials.

However, the deposits of useful minerals in Bukovina have been studied very little. Only since the unification of Bukovina with Soviet Ukraine have widespread geological and prospecting operations been undertaken which establish a solid scientific basis for the industrial utilization of useful minerals.

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